

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1460

Introduced by Assembly Member Thurmond

February 27, 2015

An act to amend Section 127360 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to health facilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1460, as introduced, Thurmond. Hospitals: community benefits plans.

Existing law requires each hospital to annually adopt and update a community benefits plan for providing community benefits either alone, in conjunction with other health care providers, or through other organizational arrangements. Each hospital is also required to annually submit its community benefits plan, including a description of the activities that the hospital has undertaken in order to address community needs within its mission and financial capacity, to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development.

Existing law provides that these requirements are not to be construed to authorize or require specific formats for hospital needs assessments, community benefit plans, or reports until specified recommendations are considered and enacted by the Legislature.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to this provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 127360 of the Health and Safety Code
2 is amended to read:
3 127360. (a) Nothing in this article shall be construed to
4 authorize or require specific formats for hospital needs assessments,
5 community benefit plans, or reports until recommendations
6 pursuant to former Section 127365, as added by Chapter 1023 of
7 the Statutes of 1996, are considered and enacted by the Legislature.
8 ~~Nothing~~
9 (b) *Nothing* in this article shall be used to justify the ~~tax-exempt~~
10 *tax-exempt*, status of a hospital under state law. Nothing in this
11 article shall preclude the office from requiring hospitals to directly
12 report their charity activities.

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